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The undersigned, being the Attorney of Record for the above identified patent application, and duly authorized to act on behalf of Petitioner, certifies that he has reviewed the Assignments attached as APPENDIX A, and to the best of his knowledge and belief, legal title to the above identified patent application and U.S. Patent 6,610,530 rests with Petitioners, DANMARKS TEKNISKE UNIVERSITET. The undersigned declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issuing therefrom.

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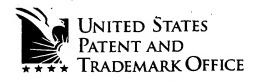
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